Railway Accidents

179. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of railway accidents during the last three months (November, December, 1987 and January, 1988) and details thereof;

(b) what is the number of passengers killed or injured and the compensation paid or payable to the kins of the deceased and the persons injured;

(c) whether it is a fact that two accidents took place on 15th January, 1988 at Muzaflarnagar (U.P.) and on Mugalsarai Patna sector at Bahaura Chandel Halt station; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) There were 195 train accidents during November, December, 1987 and January, 1988. The details are as under:

Category	No. of Accidents
Collisions	11
Derailments	154
Accidents at level crossings	25
Fire in trains	5

(b) 95 persons lost their lives and 182 sustained injuries in these accidents. No compensation has, so far, been paid as settlement of claim for compensation takes time.

(c) and (d) No accident took place on 15th January, 1988 at Muzaffarnagar station of Northern Railway. However, on the same date, a bus dashed against a goods train at an unmanned level crossing situated between Thana Bhawan and Hind stations on the Shahdara-Shamli-Saharanpur section of Northern Railway, District Muzarflarnagar (U.P.) In this accident, 4 bus passengers lost their lives and 4 sustained injuries.

In the second case, which also occurred on 15-1-1988 at Bahora Chandil Halt station on Mugalsarai Patna section of Eastern Railway, 7 persons while entraining/detraining from 400 Down Mughalsarai Patna City Passenger train, got hit by 921 Up North East Express which was running through on proper signals. Consequently, these 7 persons lost their lives. This was a case of sudden tresspass.

Computer Literacy Programme

180. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to cover more schools in the Computer Literacy Programme;

(b) if so, what is the number of schools in Rajasthan to be covered under the programme; and

(c) what is the number of computers provided to schools in Rajasthan during 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Based on experience gained in the pilot project, Government is now working out plans for implementing CLASS Programme on a larger scale during the remaining period of VII Plan. Various details pertaining to